FISCAL NOTE

SB 255 - HB 317

February 15, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Creates a Community Development Tax Incentive Task Force.
- The taskforce is composed of nine members:
 - Two members of the Senate, recommended by the speaker and minority leader of the Senate.
 - Two members of the House of Representatives, recommended by the speaker and the minority leader of the House of Representatives.
 - The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development or the commissioner's designee, who shall be the chairperson of the task force.
 - The Commissioner of Revenue or the Commissioner's Designee.
 - Three private citizens, appointed by the Governor, who have demonstrated expertise and experience in low to moderate income housing development, urban renewal and/or corporate community investment initiatives.
- Duties and responsibilities of the task force include:
 - Development, oversight, and implementation of a low to moderate-income housing and community development program, which encourages corporate and private sector benefactors to invest in urban renewal initiatives.
 - The program shall include, but not be limited to, (1) creation of affordable housing; (2) redevelopment of urban areas where local and state governments have made significant investment in infrastructure; (3) recruiting corporate and private sector benefactors to invest in such urban redevelopment initiatives; (4) determining the feasibility of offering state and/or local tax incentives to encourage potential corporate and private sector benefactors to invest in urban redevelopment initiatives; (5) development and implementation of targeted local community activities (such as meeting with community leaders and presentations to community groups).
- Provides that all legislative members of the task force are to be paid for attending task force meetings.
- Non-legislative members of the task force shall not be paid but may be reimbursed for travel expenses associated with serving on the task force.
- Requires all expenses of the task force to be paid by the department of Economic and Community Development.
- For administrative purposes, the task force shall be attached to the Department of Economic and Community Development.
- Requires the Commissioner of ECD to call the first meeting of the task force within 120 days after the date of enactment of the act.

- Requires the task force to submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than 1 year after the date of the first meeting of the task force.
- After the report is submitted the task force shall terminate.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$11,300

Estimate assumes the following:

- The total cost for each meeting of the task force is estimated to be approximately \$1,382.
- The task force will hold 6 meetings in Nashville, TN.
- Administrative costs of \$3,000 for the department of Economic and Community development to provide staff support and assistance for correspondence mailings of the task force and preparation of the final report.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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